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I. Comparative Table of Business

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Period	Employment : Wage and Salary Earners (excluding rural workers, females in private domestic service, and defence forces) *			Wages and Salaries Paid (Weekly Average) *	New Houses and Flats : Private and Government	
	Males	Females	Persons		Approved	Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	Number of Dwelling Units	
Year : 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,976	29,676	15,415
1948-49	721.4†	269.9†	991.3†	8,133	33,117	18,758
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	9,018	35,029	19,841
1950-51	758.2	291.0	1,049.2	11,385	37,988	20,737
1951-52	754.4	270.5	1,024.9	14,364	24,419	24,576
1952-53	734.3	266.2	1,000.5	15,090	23,156	26,554
1953-54	758.1	279.5	1,037.6	16,043	30,655	27,524
1953 : Oct.	740.0	272.2	1,012.2	16,753	3,083	7,764
Nov.	745.0	276.7	1,021.7		2,731	
Dec.	747.8	278.8	1,026.6		2,638	
1954 : Jan.	748.1	277.0	1,025.1	15,303	2,108	6,209
Feb.	749.9	277.6	1,027.5		1,860	
Mar.	753.2	279.4	1,032.6		2,225	
Apr.	753.8	278.6	1,032.4	16,463	2,479	7,289
May	756.3	279.6	1,035.9		2,253	
June	758.1	279.5	1,037.6		2,785	
July	757.7	280.0	1,037.7	16,765	2,514	7,397
Aug.	758.8	281.4	1,040.2		2,712	
Sept.	760.5	283.7	1,044.2		3,054	
Oct.	761.9	286.1	1,048.0	n.y.a.	2,870	n.y.a.
Nov.	767.5	290.9	1,058.4		2,543	
Dec.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	

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Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade (Merchandise only)		Major Private Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year :						
1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950-51	228,204	301.7	325.6	467.9	197.9	284.5
1951-52	105,261	426.8	193.9	413.6	276.0	304.5
1952-53	151,348	206.9	249.5	448.6	243.7	319.1
1953-54	144,795	277.9	249.3	483.1	281.6	339.8
1953:						
Oct.	19,593	19.9	25.6	445.7	267.7	325.8
Nov.	18,447	20.4	24.4	462.0	274.8	326.2
Dec.	11,501	23.8	26.0	477.3	272.8	327.7
1954:						
Jan.	11,212	24.5	19.0	493.5	261.5	329.4
Feb.	19,319	18.0	16.4	496.7	262.3	332.3
Mar.	19,799	29.6	29.8	505.2	263.7	331.3
Apr.	1,689	21.4	22.7	501.8	269.3	332.2
May	11,976	22.3	15.5	491.8	274.5	333.3
June	9,005	35.6	18.7	483.1	281.6	339.8
July	368	28.7	15.0	468.4	291.0	341.9
Aug.	3,631	24.0	10.9	463.6	297.5	343.1
Sept.	17,366	27.5	15.6	462.9	307.3	344.3
Oct.	14,871	25.9	20.3	471.1	318.1	346.7
Nov.	9,349	23.7	15.2	475.9	318.8	347.2
Dec.	9,782	24.8	23.7	484.4	319.4	347.8

*See notes to relevant table.
restrictions.

† May, 1949 ; June affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power

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to detailed tables herein

14.		18.	23.	23.	23.	Table No.
N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (excluding live-stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	
186.7	14,679	28,335	9,987||	1,948	1,168**	1938-39: Year
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343**	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,758	1,266	1949-50
268.6	17,131	76,172	12,683	4,241	1,405	1950-51
268.2	18,528	67,448	14,800	4,628	1,473	1951-52
271.7	17,877	50,057	14,289	4,868	1,846	1952-53
278.9	19,351	64,993	15,012	5,320	2,086	1953-54
22.7	1,638	5,663	1,350	439	184	Oct.: 1953
24.1	1,636	5,788	1,284	424	178	Nov.
22.6	1,455	6,057	993	414	163	Dec.
22.8	1,459	3,925	915	408	176	Jan.: 1954
22.8	1,424	4,377	1,136	395	148	Feb.
24.5	1,781	6,235	1,416	463	175	Mar.
23.2	1,484	5,544	1,165	436	173	Apr.
24.8	1,666	6,086	1,313	490	183	May
22.9	1,635	6,328	1,313	502	172	June
22.2	1,724	6,769	1,335	534	198	July
24.3	1,678	6,693	1,301	515	189	Aug.
22.7	1,692	7,175	1,382	498	193	Sept.
23.4	1,620	6,696	1,315p	486	197	Oct.
24.2	1,595	6,477	1,341p	481	185	Nov.
22.8	1,673	6,535	1,154p	470	185	Dec.

42.	46.	47.	52.	54.	55.	Table No.
Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.*	Sydney Stock Exchange Share Values	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : Total "C" Series Index (Sydney)*	Basic Wage, Sydney Adult Males *	Period
Weekly Average —£ million.	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Wtd. Av. for 6 Capitals in 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
n.a.	175.6	35,272	101	928	81††	1938-39 : Year
69	262.6	60,202	159	1259	114††	1947-48
83	258.2	62,229	181	1378	124††	1948-49
105	270.0	125,952	205	1504	135††	1949-50
145	334.1	192,311	246	1729	173††	1950-51
157	301.0	179,581	300	2140	216††	1951-52
152	253.1	143,909	320	2327	238††	1952-53
172	267.0	188,032	321	2384	243	1953-54
168	261.7	14,930	329	2385	243	Oct.: 1953
173	261.0	15,004	321		243	Nov.
187	264.1	15,070	317		243	Dec.
152	271.6	13,594	317	2391	243	Jan.: 1954
165	273.3	12,944	316		243	Feb.
185	273.0	18,395	316		243	Mar.
166	268.6	16,008	316	2373	243	Apr.
183	271.4	18,840	316		243	May
195	274.5	17,607	316		243	June
182	282.2	17,933	316p	2372	243	July
171	292.4	20,148	316p		243	Aug.
180	291.5	20,743	317p		243	Sept.
190	288.5	18,393	313p	2391	243	Oct.
186	285.6	19,561	315p		243	Nov.
195	285.7	17,593	n.y.a.		243	Dec.

|| Estimated.

** Year ended 31st May.

†† Operative from February.

2. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups in N.S.W.

(See notes above Table 3.)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Construction	Transport and Communication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡	Total Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Em- ployment*
Thousands									
MALES									
1939: July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	.....	44.0	529.9
1945: June	24.5	214.8	32.5	85.2	11.3	24.3	30.1	56.6	536.0
1946: June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1	618.5
1948: June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7	702.3
1950: June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3	67.2	740.8
1951: June	29.6	282.4	73.1	114.1	21.8	47.9	51.0	67.2	758.2
1952: June	31.6	274.7	76.1	115.2	22.0	47.3	49.0	67.2	754.4
1953: June	30.1	272.2	63.3	113.5	22.2	46.2	48.8	67.1	734.3
July	30.7	272.1	62.9	112.7	22.1	45.8	48.7	66.9	733.0
Aug.	30.7	272.3	62.4	113.0	22.0	46.4	48.7	66.9	733.3
Sept.	30.6	274.0	62.7	112.7	22.0	47.0	48.7	66.9	735.4
Oct.	30.6	276.7	63.3	113.0	21.8	47.7	49.1	67.0	740.0
Nov.	30.6	278.6	63.9	113.0	21.8	48.0	50.8	67.4	745.0
1954: June	30.9	283.8	69.3	114.0	22.5	48.3	50.6	67.6	758.1
July	30.1	283.7	69.7	114.6	22.4	48.2	50.4	67.2	757.7
Aug.	30.0	284.6	69.7	114.4	22.4	48.6	50.5	67.3	758.8
Sept.	29.8	285.4	70.2	114.3	22.5	49.0	50.5	67.6	760.5
Oct.	29.7	286.1	69.9	114.8	22.3	49.6	50.6	67.9	761.9
Nov.	29.8	287.8	69.7	115.4	22.4	50.2	52.7	68.2	767.5
FEMALES									
1939: July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	.....	36.0	168.0
1945: June	0.2	86.9	0.7	14.5	10.7	10.3	37.5	49.1	247.9
1946: June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	69.8	242.3
1948: June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6	261.9
1950: June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7	83.1	278.5
1951: June	0.3	102.0	1.5	16.1	13.9	16.0	45.9	83.9	291.0
1952: June	0.4	84.2	1.7	15.7	14.6	15.7	42.8	83.6	270.5
1953: June	0.3	86.0	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.1	41.0	82.2	266.2
July	0.3	86.5	1.9	14.1	14.2	15.0	41.1	82.0	266.8
Aug.	0.3	87.1	1.8	13.9	14.2	15.5	41.4	82.2	268.1
Sept.	0.3	88.3	1.8	13.9	14.2	15.6	41.5	82.4	269.7
Oct.	0.3	90.4	1.9	13.9	14.1	15.8	41.8	82.6	272.2
Nov.	0.3	91.6	1.9	13.9	14.2	16.0	44.4	82.9	276.7
1954: June	0.3	92.9	2.0	14.3	15.1	16.2	43.1	84.1	279.5
July	0.3	93.4	2.0	14.2	15.3	16.3	42.8	83.9	280.0
Aug.	0.3	93.9	2.0	14.3	15.4	16.5	42.9	84.2	281.4
Sept.	0.4	95.0	2.0	14.4	15.4	16.9	43.5	84.4	283.7
Oct.	0.3	96.0	2.0	14.7	15.4	17.0	44.2	84.8	286.1
Nov.	0.3	96.8	2.0	14.8	15.7	17.2	47.3	85.1	290.9
PERSONS									
1939: July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	.....	80.0	697.9
1945: June	24.7	301.7	33.2	99.7	22.0	34.6	67.6	115.2	783.9
1946: June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4	860.8
1948: June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3	964.2
1950: June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3	1,019.3
1951: June	29.9	384.4	74.6	130.2	35.7	63.9	96.9	151.1	1,049.2
1952: June	32.0	358.9	77.8	130.9	36.6	63.0	91.8	150.8	1,024.9
1953: June	30.4	358.2	65.1	127.5	36.4	61.3	89.8	149.3	1,000.5
July	31.0	358.6	64.8	126.8	36.3	60.8	89.8	148.9	999.8
Aug.	31.0	359.4	64.2	126.9	36.2	61.9	90.1	149.1	1,001.4
Sept.	30.9	362.3	64.5	126.6	36.2	62.6	90.2	149.3	1,005.1
Oct.	30.9	367.1	65.2	126.9	35.9	63.5	90.9	149.6	1,012.2
Nov.	30.9	370.2	65.8	126.9	36.0	64.0	95.2	150.3	1,021.7
1954: June	31.2	376.7	71.3	128.3	37.6	64.5	93.7	151.7	1,037.6
July	30.4	377.1	71.7	128.8	37.7	64.5	93.2	151.1	1,037.7
Aug.	30.3	378.5	71.7	128.7	37.8	65.1	93.4	151.5	1,040.2
Sept.	30.2	380.4	72.2	128.7	37.9	65.9	94.0	152.0	1,044.2
Oct.	30.0	382.1	71.9	129.5	37.7	66.6	94.8	152.7	1,048.0
Nov.	30.1	384.6	71.7	130.2	38.1	67.4	100.0	153.3	1,058.4

* Including miscellaneous groups (71,300 males, 11,700 females, 83,000 persons in November, 1954) not shown in the table. † From July, 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services.

3. Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment in N.S.W.—Governmental and Private

(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service and Defence Forces.)

(1) Particulars in Tables 2 and 3 are estimates based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities.

(2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month.

(3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, members of the full-time defence forces at home or abroad, and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded.

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Thousands									
1939: July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943: June	157.1	45.1	202.2	368.0	209.3	577.3	525.1	254.4	779.5
1945: June	156.0	43.6	199.6	380.0	204.3	584.3	536.0	247.9	783.9
1946: June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947: June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948: June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949: June	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1949: May†	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1950: June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
1951: June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
1952: June	214.0	41.9	255.9	540.4	228.6	769.0	754.4	270.5	1,024.9
1953: Jan.	201.3	39.0	240.3	522.6	223.3	745.9	723.9	262.3	986.2
Feb.	203.7	39.6	243.3	524.9	225.6	750.5	728.6	265.2	993.8
Mar.	205.0	39.4	244.4	526.8	227.0	753.8	731.8	266.4	998.2
Apr.	205.4	39.3	244.7	526.9	227.5	754.4	732.3	266.8	999.1
May	206.3	39.3	245.6	527.8	227.3	755.1	734.1	266.6	1,000.7
June	206.8	39.3	246.1	527.5	226.9	754.4	734.3	266.2	1,000.5
July	206.4	39.4	245.8	526.6	227.4	754.0	733.0	266.8	999.8
Aug.	206.2	39.3	245.5	527.1	228.8	755.9	733.3	268.1	1,001.4
Sept.	206.2	39.2	245.4	529.2	230.5	759.7	735.4	269.7	1,005.1
Oct.	206.2	39.0	245.2	533.8	233.2	767.0	740.0	272.2	1,012.2
Nov.	207.2	39.0	246.2	537.8	237.7	775.5	745.0	276.7	1,021.7
Dec.	207.9	38.9	246.8	539.9	239.9	779.8	747.8	278.8	1,026.6
1954: Jan.	207.2	38.9	246.1	540.9	238.1	779.0	748.1	277.0	1,025.1
Feb.	208.1	39.7	247.8	541.8	237.9	779.7	749.9	277.6	1,027.5
Mar.	209.2	39.7	248.9	544.0	239.7	783.7	753.2	279.4	1,032.6
Apr.	209.4	39.9	249.3	544.4	238.7	783.1	753.8	278.6	1,032.4
May	210.0	39.9	249.9	546.3	239.7	786.0	756.3	279.6	1,035.9
June	210.6	40.0	250.6	547.5	239.5	787.0	758.1	279.5	1,037.6
July	210.9	40.3	251.2	546.8	239.7	786.5	757.7	280.0	1,037.7
Aug.	211.3	40.4	251.7	547.5	241.0	788.5	758.8	281.4	1,040.2
Sept.	210.9	40.4	251.3	549.6	243.3	792.9	760.5	283.7	1,044.2
Oct.	210.1	40.6	250.7	551.8	245.5	797.3	761.9	286.1	1,048.0
Nov.	211.7	40.9	252.6	555.8	250.0	805.8	767.5	290.9	1,058.4

* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

4. Employment in Larger Private Factories, New South Wales

In order to provide a prompt indication of the trend of employment in private factories, a survey of employment in 628 larger privately-owned factories in New South Wales is made each month, by joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician. Approximately half of total factory employment is covered by the collection, the results of which are available one month earlier than particulars of total factory employment shown in Table 2.

Industrial Group	Larger Private Factories—Employment at end of Month								
	Males			Females			Persons		
	1954			1954			1954		
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Building Materials ...	12,876	12,967	13,032	1,279	1,283	1,295	14,155	14,250	14,327
Basic Metals ...	28,827	29,074	29,172	1,112	1,132	1,141	29,939	30,206	30,313
Transportation Equipment ...	16,287	16,138	16,141	1,239	1,322	1,311	17,526	17,460	17,452
Other Metal Manufacture ...	38,829	39,460	39,032	9,346	9,531	9,380	48,175	48,991	48,412
Chemicals and Allied Products ...	6,523	6,535	6,605	1,973	1,941	1,956	8,496	8,476	8,561
Clothing and Textiles ...	11,132	11,157	11,122	19,301	19,389	19,150	30,433	30,546	30,272
Food ...	9,669	9,824	10,099	4,438	4,481	4,952	14,107	14,305	15,051
All Other ...	21,269	21,421	21,430	6,999	6,980	6,924	28,268	28,401	28,354
Total—All Groups ...	145,412	146,576	146,633	45,687	46,059	46,109	191,099	192,635	192,742
Excluding Food ...	135,743	136,752	136,534	41,249	41,578	41,157	176,992	178,330	177,691

5. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †	Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡	Quarter	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡			
				1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
	£ thousand	£		£ thousand				£	£	£	£
1946-47	5,838	6.81									
1947-48	6,976	7.73									
1948-49	8,133	8.73	Sept. Qr.	13,387	14,934	15,654	16,765	13.26	15.23	16.01	16.60
1949-50	9,018	9.50	Dec. Qr.	14,988	15,729	16,753		14.75	16.24	16.87	
1950-51	11,385	11.46	Mar. Qr.	14,083	14,241	15,303		13.94	14.70	15.33	
1951-52	14,364	14.24	June Qr.	14,998	15,456	16,463		15.02	15.84	16.38	
1952-53	15,090	15.50									
1953-54	16,043	16.15									

* Includes Australian Capital Territory. † Excludes pay of members of the armed forces. ‡ Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females, based on the approximate ratio of average female earnings to average male earnings.

6. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*: Amount of Benefits Paid and Admissions to Unemployment Benefit

Period	Number Admitted to Unemployment Benefit during Period			Amount of Benefits Paid during Period			
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
				£	£	£	£
Year : 1948-49	2,092	165	2,257	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50†	103,599	23,901	127,500	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950-51	5,605	601	6,206	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045
1951-52	7,680	3,258	10,938	55,135	262,244	33,502	350,881
1952-53	76,668	11,972	88,640	2,686,297	546,432	72,932	3,305,661
1953-54	18,854	4,599	23,453	1,247,215	697,949	132,797	2,077,961
1953 : November	876	285	1,161	102,690	54,263	11,174	168,127
December	1,200	264	1,464	89,409	75,479	14,756	179,644
1954 : January	1,818	332	2,150	77,149	51,238	7,802	136,189
February	1,041	296	1,337	78,232	53,595	7,830	139,657
March	663	278	941	69,794	63,780	9,805	143,379
April	592	250	842	47,042	57,439	8,961	113,442
May	722	334	1,056	53,823	61,627	10,268	125,718
June	497	250	747	33,824	47,780	9,416	91,020
July	661	327	988	44,579	68,600	12,017	125,196
August	389	220	609	31,769	56,155	9,843	97,767
September	291	180	471	26,212	68,245	11,342	105,799
October	334	201	535	19,571	46,276	8,971	74,818
November	299	133	432	18,066	56,739	9,452	84,257
December	247	150	397	14,811	54,566	9,692	79,069

* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by power restrictions occasioned by an industrial dispute.

7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*: Number Receiving Benefits at End of each Month

Last Saturday of Month	Unemployment			Sickness	Special †	All Benefits
	Males	Females	Persons	Persons		
1953: September	8,008	1,967	9,975	3,633	893	14,501
October	5,385	1,685	7,070	3,479	837	11,386
November	4,254	1,405	5,659	3,483	803	9,945
December	4,393	1,349	5,742	3,219	759	9,720
1954 : January	4,309	1,280	5,589	3,124	752	9,465
February	3,327	1,118	4,445	3,274	753	8,472
March	2,612	1,063	3,675	3,276	727	7,678
April	2,401	1,044	3,445	3,108	713	7,266
May	2,053	961	3,014	3,324	747	7,085
June	1,876	934	2,810	3,320	767	6,897
July	1,720	910	2,630	3,531	786	6,947
August	1,476	753	2,229	3,684	775	6,688
September	1,184	642	1,826	3,643	795	6,264
October	838	501	1,339	3,335	775	5,449
November	773	497	1,270	3,386	764	5,420
December	698	484	1,182	3,334	773	5,289

* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Excluding immigrants.

8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number			Thousands			
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950	1,694	221	138	359	294	325	619
1951	1,443	335	144	479	409	328	737
1952	1,297	194	181	375	274	485	759
1953	1,119	138	171	309	355	385	740
1953: December	9	1	6	7	1	11	12
1954: January	43	12	9	21	19	11	30
February	51	10	6	16	18	9	27
March	101	21	4	25	38	6	44
April	70	15	1	16	24	6	30
May	60	6	8	14	9	12	21
June	86	14	10	24	19	11	30
July	128	22	10	32	33	30	63
August	101	35	16	51	47	60	107
September	89	16	14	30	22	21	43
October	78	12	1	13	18	6	24
November	74	11	10	21	26	74	100
December	24	4	7	11	13	4	17

Monthly particulars are approximate.

9. Population of New South Wales

Date of Census	Population			Males per 100 Females	Average Annual Rate of Increase since Previous Census
	Males	Females	Persons		
3rd April, 1911	857,698	789,036	1,646,734	109	Per cent 1.97*
4th April, 1921	1,071,501	1,028,870	2,100,371	104	2.46
30th June, 1953	1,318,471	1,282,376	2,600,847	103	1.76
30th June, 1947	1,492,211	1,492,627	2,984,838	100	0.99
30th June, 1954†	1,720,950	1,702,768	3,423,718	101	1.98

* Since 31st March, 1901.

† Preliminary.

The population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) at the census of 30th June, 1954, was 1,863,217 persons (preliminary). The area of the statistical metropolis was enlarged as from 1st January, 1954

10. Births, Deaths, and Marriages, New South Wales

Period	Live Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Marriages	Deaths Under One Year	
					Number	Rate*
Year : 1949	68,812	29,364	39,448	28,757	1,878	27.3
1950	71,592	30,965	40,627	30,036	1,936	27.0
1951	72,069	31,932	40,137	30,341	1,895	26.3
1952	74,196	32,038	42,158	29,351	1,818	24.5
1953	74,890	31,707	43,183	27,573	1,846	24.6
1953: Mar. Qr.	19,056	6,858	12,198	6,968	427	22.4
June Qr.	18,401	7,767	10,634	7,048	437	23.7
Sept. Qr.	18,923	9,160	9,763	6,033	497	26.3
Dec. Qr.	18,510	7,922	10,588	7,524	485	26.2
1954: Mar. Qr.	18,123	6,853	11,270	7,145	442	24.4
June Qr.	18,607	8,168	10,439	6,926	485	26.1
Sept. Qr.	18,326	9,997	8,329	5,989	484	26.4

* Per 1,000 live births.

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note 1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.

3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

11. Value of Private and Government Building* Approved : Area of State

Period	Private	Government	Private and Government				
	Total, N.S.W.	Total, N.S.W.	Division of Cumberland			Rest of State	Total, N.S.W.
			Metropolis †	Balance†	Total		
				£thousand			
Year : 1947	41,817	7,322	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	49,443	11,343	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	58,923	14,244	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	82,118	17,375	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1951	97,712	22,386	52,249	23,626	75,875	44,223	120,098
1952	66,404	12,252	32,607	16,311	48,918	29,738	78,656
1953	90,224	21,361	49,526	22,499	72,025	39,560	111,585
1953: Jan.-Nov.	83,219	19,420	46,021	20,714	66,735	35,904	102,639
1954: Jan.-Nov.	102,145	17,860	74,604	3,011	77,615	42,390	120,005
1953: Sept.	8,483	1,805	4,632	2,075	6,707	3,581	10,288
Oct.	7,928	3,947	5,737	2,247	7,984	3,891	11,875
Nov.	8,079	2,032	4,473	2,094	6,567	3,544	10,111
1954: Sept.	10,309	2,535	7,996	217	8,213	4,631	12,844
Oct.	9,196	1,879	6,489	303	6,792	4,283	11,075
Nov.	12,297	1,177	9,119	399	9,518	3,956	13,474

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined. † Metropolis enlarged on 1st January, 1954, by transfer of 425 sq. miles from "Balance of Cumberland." Figures since January, 1954, are not comparable with those for earlier periods.

12. Value of Private and Government Building* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
£ thousand							
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1951	47,801	3,589	500	1,533	9,725	12,727	75,875
1952	31,112	1,124	503	1,147	6,585	8,447	48,918
1953	49,258	973	1,324	2,608	4,762	13,100	72,025
1953: Jan.-Nov.	45,327	720	1,256	2,439	4,438	12,555	66,735
1954: Jan.-Nov.	48,352	730	1,577	5,371	9,485	12,100	77,615
1953: Sept.	4,635	132	194	232	478	1,036	6,707
Oct.	5,020	100	168	308	601	1,787	7,984
Nov.	4,608	25	156	234	400	1,144	6,567
1954: Sept.	5,473	8	263	602	809	1,058	8,213
Oct.	4,948	47	158	298	495	846	6,792
Nov.	4,346	143	198	359	2,850	1,622	9,518

NEW SOUTH WALES

Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1951	77,067	4,195	1,090	2,906	14,460	20,380	120,098
1952	52,853	1,353	1,227	2,018	8,159	13,046	78,656
1953	78,294	1,632	2,184	4,155	5,475	19,845	111,585
1953: Jan.-Nov.	71,894	1,340	1,903	3,730	5,051	18,721	102,639
1954: Jan.-Nov.	76,206	1,485	2,950	7,384	10,801	21,179	120,005
1953: Sept.	7,490	203	222	403	548	1,422	10,288
Oct.	7,836	159	259	429	682	2,510	11,875
Nov.	7,269	82	190	402	424	1,744	10,111
1954: Sept.	8,680	62	416	763	934	1,989	12,844
Oct.	7,979	143	367	606	583	1,397	11,075
Nov.	7,084	214	461	543	2,921	2,251	13,474

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

13. New House and Flat Building, New South Wales : Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Houses				Flats				Houses and Flats			
	Ap- proved ‡	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved ‡	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved ‡	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *
PRIVATE												
Year : 1948 †	26,496	17,092	13,867	16,621	1,069	904	602	801	27,565	17,996	14,469	17,422
1949 †	28,359	17,933	14,767	19,787	1,039	730	734	797	29,398	18,663	15,501	20,584
1950 †	31,020	19,437	15,866	23,358	1,364	744	634	907	32,384	20,181	16,500	24,265
1951	28,206	21,336	16,252	28,442†	1,091	732	790	849	29,297	22,068	17,042	29,291†
1952	17,827	18,449	19,634	27,257†	271	295	744	529	18,098	18,744	20,378	27,786†
1953	23,103	20,324	21,051	26,530†	393	306	555	271	23,496	20,630	21,606	26,801†
1952 : Sept. Qr.	4,616	3,933	4,930	27,255†	40	73	160	589	4,656	4,006	5,090	27,844†
Dec. Qr.	4,738	4,755	4,753	27,257†	69	42	231	529	4,807	4,797	4,984	27,786†
1953 : Mar. Qr.	5,101	4,276	5,320	26,213†	71	40	163	400	5,172	4,316	5,483	26,613†
June Qr.	5,781	5,089	4,987	26,315†	97	68	172	292	5,878	5,157	5,159	26,607†
Sept. Qr.	6,436	5,589	4,803	27,101†	132	126	122	296	6,568	5,715	4,925	27,397†
Dec. Qr.	5,785	5,370	5,941	26,530†	93	72	98	271	5,878	5,442	6,039	26,801†
1954 : Mar. Qr.	5,164	5,555	5,134	26,951†	101	131	116	282	5,265	5,686	5,250	27,233†
June Qr.	6,053	5,644	5,415	27,180†	139	114	42	354	6,192	5,758	5,457	27,534†
Sept. Qr.	6,868	5,567	5,681	27,066†	111	161	66	449	6,979	5,728	5,747	27,515†

GOVERNMENT

Year : 1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	729	427	187	444	3,418	4,401	3,572	5,023
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	639	630	285	789	4,163	4,049	3,794	5,278
1950	3,909	3,739	3,453	4,775	505	815	335	1,269	4,414	4,554	3,788	6,044
1951	5,247	4,322	4,127	4,970	507	523	330	1,462	5,754	4,845	4,457	6,432
1952	843	2,931	5,250	2,651	(-)	25	635	1,063	818	3,167	5,885	3,714
1953	6,232	5,071	4,547	3,175	348	148	1,000	211	6,580	5,219	5,547	3,386
1952 : Sept. Qr.	195	563	1,458	3,659	...	26	84	1,411	195	589	1,542	5,070
Dec. Qr.	367	455	1,463	2,651	...	...	348	1,063	367	455	1,811	3,714
1953 : Mar. Qr.	1,160	927	1,048	2,530	36	...	190	873	1,196	927	1,238	3,403
June Qr.	816	1,032	931	2,631	69	42	316	599	885	1,074	1,247	3,230
Sept. Qr.	1,839	1,199	1,115	2,715	86	53	222	430	1,925	1,252	1,337	3,145
Dec. Qr.	2,417	1,913	1,453	3,175	157	53	272	211	2,574	1,966	1,725	3,386
1954 : Mar. Qr.	852	1,642	914	3,903	76	206	45	372	928	1,848	959	4,275
June Qr.	1,292	1,483	1,738	3,648	33	46	94	324	1,325	1,529	1,832	3,972
Sept. Qr.	1,238	1,322	1,614	3,356	63	24	36	312	1,301	1,346	1,650	3,668

PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT

Year : 1948†	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200	1,798	1,331	789	1,245	30,983	22,397	18,041	22,445
1949†	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586	33,561	22,712	19,295	25,862
1950†	34,929	23,176	19,319	28,133	1,869	1,559	969	2,176	36,798	24,735	20,288	30,309
1951	33,453	25,658	20,379	33,412†	1,598	1,255	1,120	2,311	35,051	26,913	21,499	35,723†
1952	18,670	21,380	24,884	29,908†	246	531	1,379	1,592	18,916	21,911	26,263	31,500†
1953	29,335	25,395	25,598	29,705†	741	454	1,555	482	30,076	25,849	27,153	30,187†
1952 : Sept. Qr.	4,811	4,496	6,388	30,914†	40	99	244	2,000	4,851	4,595	6,632	32,914†
Dec. Qr.	5,105	5,210	6,216	29,908†	69	42	579	1,592	5,174	5,252	6,795	31,500†
1953 : Mar. Qr.	6,261	5,203	6,368	28,743†	107	40	353	1,273	6,368	5,243	6,721	30,016†
June Qr.	6,597	6,121	5,918	28,946†	166	110	488	891	6,763	6,231	6,406	29,837†
Sept. Qr.	8,275	6,788	5,918	29,816†	218	179	344	726	8,493	6,967	6,262	30,542†
Dec. Qr.	8,202	7,283	7,394	29,705†	250	125	370	482	8,452	7,408	7,764	30,187†
1954 : Mar. Qr.	6,016	7,197	6,048	30,854†	177	337	161	654	6,193	7,534	6,209	31,508†
June Qr.	7,345	7,127	7,153	30,828†	172	160	136	678	7,517	7,287	7,289	31,506†
Sept. Qr.	8,106	6,889	7,295	30,822†	174	185	102	761	8,280	7,074	7,397	31,183†

* At end of period. Includes some private houses on which work has been suspended or abandoned. † Partly estimated.
 ‡ "Private approved"—local government permits to build. "Government approved"—contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities. Statistics of dwellings approved are available monthly; figures for current months are as follows:—

Ownership	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
New Houses and Flats Approved : Number of Dwelling Units.													
Private	1953	1,512	1,698	1,962	1,953	1,843	2,082	2,150	2,117	2,301	2,024	2,017	1,837
	1954	1,652	1,642	1,971	1,930	1,981	2,281	2,100	2,436	2,443	2,203	2,204	
Gov'tment	1953	224	477	495	262	289	334	588	714	623	1,059	714	801
	1954	456	218	254	549	272	504	414	276	611	667	339	
Total	1953	1,736	2,175	2,457	2,215	2,132	2,416	2,738	2,831	2,924	3,083	2,731	2,638
	1954	2,108	1,860	2,225	2,479	2,253	2,785	2,514	2,712	3,054	2,870	2,543	

(-) denotes excess of contracts cancelled over contracts let.

14. New South Wales Government Railways: Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Earnings*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons		£ thousand	
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1950-51	268,567	17,131	49,448	49,168	280
1951-52	268,168	18,528	68,910	64,020	4,890
1952-53	271,698	17,877	72,676	66,452	6,224
1953-54	278,904	19,351	74,569	67,397	7,172
1953: July-Nov.	115,222	8,448	31,305	26,789	4,516
1954: July-Nov.	116,896	8,309	31,994	27,941	4,053
1953: August	24,038	1,679	6,227	5,475	752
September	22,368	1,700	6,298	5,282	1,016
October	22,657	1,639	6,388	5,542	846
November	24,087	1,636	6,115	5,233	882
1954: August	24,306	1,678	6,490	5,473	1,017
September	22,739	1,692	6,566	5,730	836
October	23,413	1,620	6,352	5,790	562
November	24,227	1,595	6,528	5,569	959

* Excludes grants from Consolidated Revenue (£1,800,000 in 1953-54). † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included. ‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

15. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses: Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
			£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
1950-51	5,162	5,110	10,272	11,201	(—) 929
1951-52	5,510	5,680	11,190	13,807	(—) 2,617
1952-53	5,690	5,836	11,526	14,240	(—) 2,714
1953-54	5,542	6,033	11,575	13,631	(—) 2,056
1953: July-Nov.	2,311	2,516	4,827	5,802	(—) 975
1954: July-Nov.	2,241	2,516	4,757	5,531	(—) 774
1953: August	461	502	963	1,172	(—) 209
September	452	493	945	1,140	(—) 195
October	468	510	978	1,178	(—) 200
November	467	506	973	1,139	(—) 166
1954: August	449	508	957	1,107	(—) 150
September	442	479	921	1,091	(—) 170
October	463	515	978	1,123	(—) 145
November	436	524	960	1,105	(—) 145

* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£880,950 in year 1952-53).

† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

16. Port of Sydney: Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
	Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)							
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1950-51	3,851	1,521	892	540	1,781	135	6,524	2,196
1951-52	4,236	1,155	903	533	1,837	116	6,976	1,804
1952-53	2,452	1,255	871	675	1,881	92	5,204	2,022
1953-54	3,166	1,433	948	798	2,028	62	6,142	2,293
1953: Dec. Qr.	737	386	244	166	578	10	1,559	562
1954: Mar. Qr.	799	346	209	201	402	25	1,410	572
June Qr.	885	346	249	223	514	10	1,648	579
Sept Qr.	863	301	279	194	526	10	1,668	505
Dec. Qr.	795	328	237	165	523	14	1,555	507

17. Motor Vehicles on the Register* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,776	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1951 : June	308,294	3,363	4,159	181,529	497,345	46,851	28,131	9,328	581,655
1952 : June	338,640	3,429	4,474	196,295	542,838	47,552	31,429	10,482	632,301
1953 : July	362,964	3,402	4,465	201,087	571,918	44,858	34,361	11,558	662,695
Aug.	365,076	3,411	4,460	201,837	574,784	44,672	34,663	11,649	665,768
Sept.	367,829	3,409	4,470	202,645	578,353	44,515	34,930	11,816	669,614
Oct.	371,046	3,420	4,473	203,486	582,425	44,319	35,255	11,973	673,972
Nov.	374,403	3,433	4,479	204,713	587,028	44,147	35,643	12,172	678,990
1954 : July	397,516	3,488	4,466	211,171	616,641	42,204	38,093	13,308	710,246
Aug.	401,308	3,513	4,473	212,263	621,557	42,044	38,405	13,467	715,473
Sept.	405,508	3,530	4,536	213,806	627,380	41,959	38,923	13,669	721,931
Oct.	409,396	3,530	4,598	215,100	632,624	41,824	39,259	13,842	727,549
Nov.	412,849	3,540	4,601	216,349	637,339	41,565	39,733	14,049	732,686

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

18. New Motor Vehicles Registered* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1950-51	46,689	323	84	29,076	76,172	8,855	5,578	90,605
1951-52	41,426	267	127	25,628	67,448	6,018	5,779	79,245
1952-53	30,989	509	123	18,436	50,057	3,042	5,653	58,752
1953-54	43,174	445	117	21,257	64,993	2,964	6,216	74,173
1953 : July-Nov.	17,130	266	52	8,993	26,441	1,227	2,329	29,997
1954 : July-Nov.	22,866	145	37	10,762	33,810	1,296	2,965	38,071
1953 : August	2,663	57	15	1,570	4,305	216	409	4,930
September	3,584	56	8	1,738	5,386	229	424	6,039
October	3,876	57	7	1,723	5,663	276	499	6,438
November	3,846	41	11	1,890	5,788	274	593	6,655
1954 : August	4,595	38	14	2,046	6,693	224	509	7,426
September	4,837	26	1	2,311	7,175	266	665	8,106
October	4,548	26	3	2,119	6,696	276	599	7,571
November	4,333	27	10	2,107	6,477	283	703	7,463

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

19. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities, and Vans				
	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
Year : 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	...	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1950-51	16.5	67.5	10.1	5.9	46,689	1.9	75.8	21.7	0.6	29,076
1951-52	19.3	62.2	11.8	6.7	41,426	7.9	63.7	26.8	1.6	25,628
1952-53	32.3	50.1	14.5	3.1	30,989	18.8	49.8	29.4	2.0	18,436
1953-54	29.3	53.1	14.2	3.4	43,174	19.8	48.9	29.3	2.0	21,257
1953 : July-Nov.	32.4	49.5	14.8	3.3	17,130	19.0	48.2	30.6	2.2	8,993
1954 : July-Nov.	26.6	55.5	12.6	5.3	22,866	25.6	44.6	27.4	2.4	10,762
1953 : August	34.4	48.0	15.3	2.3	2,663	19.1	47.5	32.0	1.4	1,570
September	33.0	49.5	14.4	3.1	3,584	18.9	48.4	30.3	2.4	1,738
October	33.0	49.6	12.9	4.5	3,876	19.4	47.0	30.5	3.1	1,723
November	27.6	54.5	14.0	3.9	3,846	20.9	49.7	26.9	2.5	1,890
1954 : August	25.6	58.1	11.6	4.7	4,595	24.4	45.6	27.6	2.4	2,046
September	24.5	57.3	13.1	5.1	4,837	27.6	43.6	26.6	2.2	2,311
October	26.3	55.4	13.1	5.2	4,548	26.0	44.7	27.4	1.9	2,119
November	30.2	50.9	12.5	6.4	4,333	25.6	43.8	27.7	2.9	2,107

20. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1954 Dates)	1942	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 23	731	513	714	442	622	604	605
2nd	Feb. 20	933	954	952	876	1,134	1,135	1,151
3rd	Mar. 20	981	929	932	888	1,292	1,139	1,217
4th	Apr. 17	886	908	925	1,052	1,158	1,008	1,134
5th	May 15	1,003	970	1,013	980	1,171	931	1,119
6th	June 12	965	926	1,038	1,052	1,147	999	1,285
7th	July 10	918	225	923	1,168	1,236	1,052	1,155
8th	Aug. 7	953	109	961	1,158	1,177	1,309	1,201
9th	Sept. 4	1,028	1,117	1,144	1,174	1,240	1,247	1,221
10th	Oct. 2	984	1,100	1,051	1,205	1,287	1,242	1,244
11th	Oct. 30	973	1,108	1,120	1,255	1,267	1,232	1,256r
12th	Nov. 27	965	1,182	1,093	1,222	1,272	1,284	1,205r
13th†	Dec. 25	886	695	932	1,041	1,019	992	1,284p
Year : Underground		12,150	9,388	11,197	11,224	12,492	12,452	13,699p
Open Cut ...		56	1,348	1,601	2,289	2,530	1,722	1,378p
Total ...		12,206	10,736	12,798	13,513	15,022	14,174	15,077p

Year ended 31st December.

Northern District ...	8,302	6,820	8,327	8,558	9,626	9,042	9,555 p
Southern District ...	2,261*	1,908	2,403	2,508	2,776	3,009	3,355p
Western District ...	1,643	2,008	2,068	2,447	2,620	2,123	2,167p
Underground ...	12,150	9,388	11,197	11,224	12,492	12,452	13,699p
Open Cut ...	56	1,348	1,601	2,289	2,530	1,722	1,378p
Total ...	12,206	10,736	12,798	13,513	15,022	14,174	15,077p

* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts in 1942.

† Miners' mid-summer holidays

	1942. Public holidays only.	1949. 2 weeks {N-2 wks. {S & W-1 wk.}	1950. {N-1 wk. {S & W-2 wks.}	1951. 2 weeks 1 week	1952. 2 weeks 1 week	1953. 2 weeks 1 week	1954 2 weeks Nil.
In 1st Period ...							
In 13th Period							

21. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January	100	125	198	218	221	235	251	252	275
February	100	125	208	227	241	240	258	263	277
March	100	130	212	231	238	235	253	264	285
April	100	125	218	222	226	243	249	256	273
May	100	128	203	229	237	240	253	261	286
June	100	131	214	189	232	245	250	274	300
July	100	134	199	118	214	253	254	276	296
August	100	135	214	173	234	255	248	273	296
September	100	134	223	228	236	248	251	276	304
October	100	135	216	224	238	255	254	279	294
November	100	136	226	239	246	265	256	283	303
December	100	131	222	231	236	246	265	282	299
Year	100	131	213	209	233	247	253	270	291

MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1952-53 are final, but all figures from July, 1953, are subject to revision.

22. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham *	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
Thousand lb.							
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	33,234	29,676	24,480
1949-50	82,469	6,333	51,215	28,879	36,246	31,748	32,265
1950-51	76,873	6,630	45,827	28,157	31,096	35,743	32,130
1951-52	52,501	4,469	38,577	27,911§	29,260	48,106	37,823
1952-53	83,076	7,084	54,451	29,509	20,095	37,118	35,880
1953-54p	66,557	7,191	45,746	25,759	23,496	52,225	19,570
1953 : July-Nov.	25,543	3,597	22,582	10,991	6,744	1,199	8,945
1954 : July-Nov.	30,490	2,116	10,400	10,647	7,102	1,568	9,045
1953 : August	3,598	382	3,435	1,938	1,598	270	911
September	4,804	801	5,018	1,537	1,335	259	852
October	6,739	1,092	6,095	1,899	1,237	221	2,019
November	7,225	1,069	5,807	2,584	744	125	4,415
1954 : August	3,467	253	1,958	1,992	1,770	319	1,240
September	5,495	430	2,062	2,052	1,515	469	970
October	8,189	560	2,294	2,028	1,067	340	2,767
November	10,924	724	2,589	2,536	1,143	94	2,813

Period	Flour (Wheaten)	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Prepared Breakfast Foods (Non Granular)	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	n.a.	n.a.	43,611
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	304,287	153,853	53,299
1949-50	577,482	98,478	133,294	300,075	154,645	60,789
1950-51	677,682	112,744	146,879	304,487	179,891	67,725
1951-52	563,325	97,733	131,498	313,270	203,440	76,732
1952-53	521,957	84,221	125,575	334,105	198,345	73,432
1953-54p	590,801	87,678	125,561	360,491	192,885	73,742
1953 : July-Nov.	264,000	39,793	58,045	150,747	94,285	32,520
1954 : July-Nov.	213,024	31,649	42,961	156,856	93,933	32,666
1953: August	51,060	7,547	11,146	24,985	16,815	6,036
September	48,902	7,263	10,600	31,616	19,273	6,130
October	46,531	7,098	10,122	34,581	20,958	7,208
November	52,151	8,096	11,637	38,066	17,165	6,123
1954: August	44,754	6,420	9,131	27,550	18,397	6,105
September	40,151	5,880	8,007	36,697	18,345	6,139
October	38,507	5,999	7,510	34,833	17,716	6,773
November	41,765	6,494	8,261	35,855	18,146	6,253

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate (excl.coverture)	Other	
Thousand lb.			Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988‡	26,811	33,899
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	27,253	34,094	54,104
1949-50	8,457	38,242	7,540	28,910	31,307	54,704
1950-51	5,619	36,328	7,711	25,766	34,900	61,966
1951-52	11,146	41,017	7,937	23,243	36,694	66,799
1952-53	9,219	34,989	5,322	20,829	35,673	72,672
1953-54p	13,897	36,524	5,736	21,631	33,385	80,968
1953 : July-Nov.	6,497	15,834	2,199	9,114	15,405	31,957
1954 : July-Nov.	n.a.	n.a.	2,320	7,366	16,500	35,214
1953 : August	1,238	2,955	344	2,020	2,807	5,944
September	1,272	2,650	479	1,938	3,098	6,397
October	1,383	3,149	488	1,374	3,040	6,720
November	1,144	3,106	650	1,320	3,127	7,094
1954 : August	n.a.	n.a.	412	1,477	3,073	6,333
September	n.a.	3,042	508	1,405	3,276	7,098
October	n.a.	3,074	507	1,352	3,355	7,383
November	n.a.	n.a.	625	1,299	3,679	8,149

* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

‡ Including coverture.

§ From July, 1951, the production of pressed ham and canned bacon and ham was changed from a "bone-out" to a "bone-in" weight basis.

23. Production of Metals, Coal and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.		Thousand tons			Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year: 1938-39	88,488	9,987*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50	47,288	11,290	1,164	1,002	1,266	17,846	3,758
1950-51	52,714	12,683	1,488	1,158	1,405	19,444	4,241
1951-52	40,761	14,800	1,607	1,219	1,473	20,537	4,628
1952-53	32,040	14,289	1,866	1,541	1,846	20,216	4,868
1953-54p	31,787	15,012	1,998	1,618	2,086	21,003	5,320
1953: July-Nov.	12,407	6,761	831	696	896	9,225	2,212
1954: July-Nov.	12,512	6,668	846	717	962	9,628	2,514
1953: August	2,538	1,345	164	139	183	1,976	448
September	2,703	1,356	163	134	167	1,786	434
October	2,493	1,350	170	145	184	1,764	439
November	2,429	1,284	167	139	178	1,644	424
1954: August	3,195	1,301	172	135	189	2,056	515
September	2,871	1,382	167	149	193	1,926	498
October	2,047	1,315	168	153	197	1,818	486
November	1,453	1,341	168	141	185	1,693	481

*Estimated. † Year ended 31st May. ‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

24. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies (Excl. Cabins and Conversions)	Pedal Cycles
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.		
			Number 26,671*			
Year: 1938-39	977	1,214			5,425	36,416
1948-49	2,343	16,642	182,290	31,338	4,341	27,605
1949-50	2,185	17,560	274,228	26,146	6,646	26,539
1950-51	2,160	21,586	369,684	34,166	8,866	29,156
1951-52	1,887	20,593	417,945	34,255	9,276	28,701
1952-53	1,140	10,986	353,820	21,251	9,431	21,766
1953-54p	1,298	15,519	547,216	22,398	21,519	23,232
1953: July-Nov.	616	6,758	209,615	8,232	8,990	9,960
1954: July-Nov.	598	6,662	363,642	13,269	10,874	12,148
1953: August	84	1,268	35,939	1,576	1,813	1,838
September	148	1,510	41,782	1,808	1,883	1,741
October	141	1,307	44,635	1,578	1,701	1,921
November	146	1,428	49,084	1,619	1,888	2,545
1954: August	120	1,086	70,909	2,591	2,200	1,914
September	122	1,793	73,425	2,845	2,217	2,197
October	132	1,148	77,362	2,378	2,068	2,578
November	135	1,251	78,336	3,191	2,244	3,421

* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

25. Production of Clothing

Period	Hosiery		Hats (Felt)	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers	
	Women's, Maids* and Girls*	Other			Dress	Work*			
	Dozen pairs		Dozen		Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs		
Year :	1938-39	520,127	535,092	135,262	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
	1948-49	351,054	411,453	147,498	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
	1949-50	383,837	374,572	118,724	148,312	11,041	106,610	6,024	2,822
	1950-51	465,854	423,477	115,241	168,814	14,277	125,834	6,287	2,755
	1951-52	463,596	376,536	86,586	163,163	15,362	151,555	6,155	2,465
	1952-53	565,016	337,153	94,879	148,727	21,761	112,503	5,967	2,444
	1953-54p	609,355	439,236	99,920	174,375	25,958	145,447	6,584	2,833
1953:	July-Nov.	272,087	193,430	40,150	76,187	13,741	61,255	3,013	1,251
1954:	July-Nov.	306,365	189,490	34,345	61,847	6,811	77,307	3,008	856
1953:	August	50,145	37,601	6,584	11,634	2,595	11,356	575	243
	September	56,329	40,221	7,623	16,182	3,015	13,385	630	256
	October	51,394	36,292	8,469	15,456	3,123	12,309	612	256
	November	54,808	40,062	9,724	17,035	2,834	12,668	611	263
1954:	August	60,657	38,469	6,687	10,225	1,322	15,136	603	163
	September	65,616	41,939	6,675	14,062	1,474	16,578	635	187
	October	58,930	34,488	6,959	11,759	999	15,231	578	160
	November	64,708	39,666	7,337	15,654	1,445	15,786	620	189

* Excluding articles of rubber.

26. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native) *	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.		Thousands		Thousand sq. yd.		Tons
Year: 1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,652	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50	341.1	300,356	22,124	8,362	8,634	4,171	554,966
1950-51	338.3	341,994	22,590	11,213	9,777	4,963	613,425
1951-52	380.6	354,545	22,765	20,273	10,545	4,962	594,276
1952-53	347.3	300,328	28,034	5,692	9,384	4,616	670,644
* 1953-54p	374.2	362,228	30,608	8,356	9,870	5,265	724,070
1953: July-Nov.	172.7	155,208	13,305	3,221	4,220	2,139	299,452
1954: July-Nov.	161.0	170,704	13,261	4,328	4,709	2,636	369,748
1953: August	35.7	28,988	2,575	524	867	408	61,311
September	33.3	32,975	2,724	690	808	430	57,351
October	36.0	31,765	2,643	864	829	438	62,698
November	31.0	30,566	2,682	865	840	462	55,516
1954: August	29.4	35,196	2,681	858	892	535	83,206
September	34.4r	34,580	2,788	945	1,036	540	68,862
October	32.0	33,445	2,597	745	934	501	71,450
November	32.0	34,445	2,625	972	864	531	68,798

Period	Paints		Stoves, Domestic Cooking			
	Ready-Mixed Paint	Lacquers and Enamels	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	
					Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers
	Thousand gal.			Number		
Year: 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930	n.a.
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	n.a.
1949-50	1,914	1,826	10,307	20,723	14,178	23,128
1950-51	2,577	1,575	14,183	26,933	16,623	38,074
1951-52	2,598	1,771	15,214	25,232	17,022	26,290
1952-53	2,078	1,725	11,316	17,556	8,137	17,522
1953-54p	2,418	2,290	13,422	22,841	12,726	20,340
1953: July-Nov.	1,023	992	6,550	10,273	4,497	8,333
1954: July-Nov.	1,118	1,304	7,156	n.a.	8,882	8,704
1953: August	196	178	1,277	2,005	687	1,354
September	214	201	1,624	2,121	1,020	1,634
October	196	208	1,045	2,065	901	1,456
November	188	216	1,245	2,000	1,089	1,850
1954: August	200	259	1,388	n.a.	1,629	1,585
September	224	279	1,619	n.a.	1,933	1,987
October	239	277	1,368	n.a.	1,851	1,563
November	257	253	1,280	n.a.	1,688	1,757

Period	Sinks (Stainless Steel)	Sink Heaters (Gas and Electric)	Bath Heaters (All Types)	Hot Water Systems (Storage— All Types)	Coppers (complete)	
					Gas	Electric
Year: 1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948-49	12,867	11,978	63,916	18,885	24,256	14,121
1949-50	18,431	8,436	65,772	19,713	20,765	16,470
1950-51	22,759	10,333	68,273	29,775	24,847	24,081
1951-52	26,349	13,537	62,492	28,707	19,974	21,712
1952-53	24,517	6,800	47,523	18,170	12,396	10,979
1953-54p	28,660	7,459	49,442	24,942	n.a.	14,713
1953: July-Nov.	12,232	3,656	19,719	10,872	n.a.	6,758
1954: July-Nov.	n.a.	4,856	23,018	12,563		
1953: August	2,118	624	4,580	1,881	n.a.	1,313
September	2,410	756	4,453	2,251	n.a.	1,386
October	2,435	796	3,849	2,322	n.a.	1,305
November	2,389	769	3,225	2,479	n.a.	1,108
1954: August	n.a.	1,267	5,172	2,674		
September	n.a.	1,127	4,986	2,419	3,017	
October	n.a.	675	4,152	2,177	2,860	
November	n.a.	1,108	4,073	2,709	2,076	
					1,991	

* Including sawn sleepers.

27. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators (Household)	Electric Clothes Washing Machines (Domestic)	Electric Toasters	Mattresses		
				Wire	Inner Spring	Other
Number						
Year : 1938-39	13,102	n.a.	n.a.	79,140	17,407	n.a.
1948-49	84,232	5,751	74,045	55,590	85,574	166,699
1949-50	90,653	9,965	86,613	69,650	107,057	190,543
1950-51	113,603	19,163	70,676	78,285	157,406	166,865
1951-52	101,195	23,097	107,448	67,264	128,104	118,942
1952-53	91,717	14,669	47,049	80,961	148,554	98,352
1953-54p	158,669	43,803	63,471	100,696	192,582	96,758
1953 : July-Nov.	66,378	13,203	28,414	43,446	78,250	42,940
1954 : July-Nov.	94,775	31,494	31,249	42,126	84,426	40,562
1953 : August	9,886	2,650	5,795	8,705	13,975	8,608
September	13,321	2,849	5,620	8,592	15,966	8,648
October	16,453	2,191	4,764	9,325	15,732	8,754
November	18,137	2,094	7,207	9,497	18,422	8,435
1954 : August	16,383	6,125	5,592	8,580	18,106	7,602
September	21,367	7,710	6,815	9,160	16,922	9,110
October	21,229	5,424	6,280	8,217	16,218	8,372
November	21,598	5,541	7,955	9,360	18,351	8,228

Period	Wireless Cabinets	Radios		Radiograms	Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
		Portable	Consoles			
		Number			Tons	
Year : 1938-39	133,760	124,689			20,960	85,501
1948-49	180,023	177,393			28,780	94,542
1949-50	222,818	157,190			32,353	93,763
1950-51	276,682	197,026			37,222	112,151
1951-52	227,014	165,511			45,655	117,035
1952-53	156,739	56,030	76,547	40,787	48,078	124,359
1953-54p	260,305	78,046	124,561	57,762	53,587	148,513
1953 : July-Nov.	96,251	31,413	57,626	25,183	23,205	57,099
1954 : July-Nov.	151,263	36,309	67,196	31,133	23,364	71,122
1953 : August	12,040	5,982	8,960	4,775	4,764	9,872
September	18,444	5,347	12,302	4,680	4,095	11,218
October	24,442	6,755	11,944	5,244	5,324	13,840
November	25,796	8,558	14,371	5,065	4,259	10,961
1954 : August	33,881	6,925	13,769	5,309	4,453	14,693
September	27,694	5,951	14,458	7,714	5,019	12,496
October	27,338	7,537	12,103	6,691	4,154	16,085
November	30,656	8,470	13,064	6,080	4,773	14,187

Period	Soap †				Cleansing and Scouring Powders (excl. Synthetic Detergents)
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	107,390	384,103			28,502*
1948-49	219,348	619,492			58,348*
1949-50	227,888	620,561	42,302	102,380	47,468*
1950-51	241,185	666,063	62,289	99,160	53,696*
1951-52	265,115	710,139	56,189	106,550	55,246
1952-53	231,759	692,804	67,475	87,007	44,014
1953-54p	265,054	666,246	76,828	91,228	46,822
1953 : July-Nov.	109,685	259,397	29,763	37,440	19,396
1954 : July-Nov.	113,929†	275,535†	40,108†	43,808†	19,856
1953 : August	20,506	41,883	5,014	6,533	4,273
September	19,330	46,092	6,672	7,664	3,753
October	25,152	67,282	5,017	8,145	2,971
November	24,480	51,453	5,996	7,048	3,743
1954 : August	19,014†	55,031†	7,567†	9,280†	3,881
September	22,095	35,554	7,798	8,430	4,147
October	19,078	54,135	8,495	8,192	4,058
November	28,908	63,712	9,476	10,549	4,303

*Includes synthetic detergents. † Figures to June, 1954, include synthetic detergents, but thereafter these are excluded.

28. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1953 : June	3	22	64	14	29	4	21	65	46	3	15	10	7
July	37	14	54	25	35	49	16	50	41	34	47	27	37
August	184	131	131	152	148	197	124	136	141	94	104	107	98
September	36	65	129	94	81	44	62	137	106	34	30	55	35
October	96	128	167	193	139	105	113	187	157	89	78	119	90
November	81	121	138	88	111	80	107	143	126	40	47	66	45
December	10	40	36	21	28	7	40	26	27	36	27	50	35
1954 : January	81	140	222	132	149	92	148	254	206	70	119	94	86
February	283	344	168	168	250	282	338	167	226	423	337	288	384
March	17	4	4	1	7	12	6	4	6	40	73	12	45
April	23	65	112	110	73	22	75	120	96	72	60	22	62
May	38	9	27	9	23	22	11	28	23	159	69	16	118
June	72	56	63	90	67	81	58	60	62	49	67	38	52
July	118	46	37	140	73	56	46	34	40	267	89	44	193
August	84	55	86	82	76	62	56	92	79	130	122	65	120
September	73	64	54	44	61	57	61	56	57	273	227	55	233
October	359	298	112	239	248	358	259	111	181	216	239	128	211
November	161	145	262	138	187	179	162	265	228	109	141	162	124
December	73	93	180	234	131	62	93	221	167	66	87	57	70

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

WOOL

29. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
Sheep mill.	48.9	50.4	53.3	54.1	53.7	57.5	59.6
Sheep shorn mill.	51.5	48.1	53.6	52.9	52.7	56.7	59.2
Wool produced* mill. lb.	437.1	463.2	515.0	492.1	437.8	556.6	544.9

* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

30. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8
1951-52	903.6	164.4	42.7	1,110.7	14.9	0.7	0.2	15.8
1952-53	1,136.2	207.2	53.2	1,396.6	17.5	0.8	...	18.3
1953-54	1,108.7	262.2	57.6	1,428.5	19.1	1.9	0.1	21.1
1953: July-Dec.	851.5	211.6	53.7	1,116.8	334.0	90.7	30.8	455.5
1954: July-Dec.	831.0	200.1	53.7	1,084.8	380.5	77.0	31.1	488.6
1953: September	217.8	54.2	9.3	281.3	265.4	71.4	11.4	348.2
October	215.6	55.1	19.7	290.4	333.6	94.1	24.7	452.4
November	132.0	48.4	18.0	198.4	333.9	110.9	34.4	479.2
December	67.7	11.8	4.6	84.1	334.0	90.7	30.8	455.5
1954: September	204.2	53.0	11.4	268.6	266.2	69.7	14.9	350.8
October	176.8	43.4	18.6	238.8	312.4	81.1	26.0	419.5
November	128.5	44.6	14.8	187.9	374.7	91.2	32.7	498.6
December	76.1	15.2	5.5	96.8	380.5	77.0	31.1	488.6

31. Wool: Sales at Auction, New South Wales.

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period		Wool Sold				Amount Realised				
		Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
		Thousand bales *				£ thousand				
Season: 1938-39		1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1948-49		925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50		1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714
1950-51		1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204
1951-52		912.2	165.4	43.3	1,071.9	49.0	85,188	15,943	4,130	105,261
1952-53		1,132.8	207.1	53.3	1,340.8	52.4	122,090	23,153	6,105	151,348
1953-54		1,106.5	260.8	57.6	1,380.0	44.9	112,084	26,580	6,131	144,795
1953:	July-Dec.	534.3	121.7	23.0	656.0	23.0	56,453	12,749	2,594	71,796
1954:	July-Dec.	469.0	125.0	22.8	597.3	19.5	42,241	11,051	2,075	55,367
1953:	September	164.2	25.8	...	185.2	4.8	16,987	2,607	...	19,594
	October	147.3	32.4	6.4	181.6	4.5	15,511	3,376	706	19,593
	November	131.5	31.7	8.3	168.2	3.3	14,171	3,331	945	18,447
	December	67.4	31.9	8.2	104.5	3.0	7,123	3,435	943	11,501
1954:	September	162.3	29.1	...	187.1	4.3	14,728	2,638	...	17,366
	October	130.5	32.0	7.5	166.8	3.2	11,427	2,805	639	14,871
	November	66.1	34.4	8.2	105.4	3.3	5,737	2,863	749	9,349
	December	70.1	29.5	7.1	104.2	2.5	6,350	2,745	687	9,782

* Scoured bales are not converted to greasy basis.

32. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction, New South Wales*	Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month			
			1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
	Pence per lb.		Pence per lb.			
		July	95.0‡	75.0‡	85.0‡	82.5‡
		August	73.0	75.0‡	84.0‡	75.0
1938-39	10.3	September	66.0	73.0	83.0	75.0
1945-46	15.3‡	October	91.0	78.0	84.0	71.0
1946-47	23.6	November	80.0	78.0	84.0	68.0p
1947-48	37.9	December	77.0	82.0	81.0	71.0p
1948-49	46.8	January	75.0	82.0	80.0	
1949-50	61.8	February	69.0	83.0	77.0	
1950-51	145.3	March	61.0	87.0	77.0	
1951-52	76.5	April	63.0	89.0	79.0‡	
1952-53	85.1	May	72.0	93.0	82.0	
1953-54	81.8	June	75.0	85.0	82.5	

* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Nominal.

33. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1936-37 to 1945-46*	15,875‡	4,203,047	3,824,667	49,850,000	13.0
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51	14,279	3,441,958	3,328,490	43,273,000	13.0
1951-52	13,147	2,930,170	2,753,317	39,689,000	14.4
1952-53	13,167	2,836,206	2,702,359	56,670,000	21.0
1953-54	14,865	3,547,624	3,356,888	63,681,000	19.0
1954-55‡	n.y.a.	3,150,000	2,780,000	37,500,000	13.5

* Annual average. † Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41. ‡ Preliminary

34. Wheat: Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada,

Period	Export Price*		Home Price for Human Consumption§	Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers¶	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver||
					For Commercial Export
			s. d. per bushel		Cents (Can.) per bushel
Year: 1938-39	2	5.1	2	2.8	62.0
1946-47	14	1	3	11.3	244.0
1947-48	19	4.7	6	0.2	287.9
1948-49	15	8.2	6	8	226.3
1949-50	† 15	5.2	† 18	5.8	218.6
1950-51	16	1	18	8.8	212.3
1951-52	16	4.3	20	9	235.0
1952-53	16	6	21	2	216.5
1953-54	16	7**	16	7**	186.5
1954: January	16	9**	14	2.5	188.4
February	16	6**	14	2.5	183.6
March	16	1**	14	2.5	180.0
April	15	9**	14	2.5	182.3
May	15	9**	14	2.5	182.8
June	15	2**	14	2.5	174.0
July	15	0**	14	2.5	170.7
August	14	7**	14	2.5	169.8
September	14	6**	14	2.5	169.7
October	14	6**	14	2.5	169.8
November	14	6**	14	2.5	169.9
December	14	6**	14	2.5	170.7

* Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July. Bases are as follows: —
 1938-39—Average of shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney.
 1946-47 to 1948-49—Basic export selling price of Australian Wheat Board. Average for bulk and bagged wheat, f.o.r., Sydney.
 1949-50 to date—Basic selling prices of Australian Wheat Board for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.b., Sydney (see † and ‡ below).

† Wheat sold under International Wheat Agreement. ‡ Wheat sold in excess of I.W.A. quota.
 § Wholesale price for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.r. Sydney. Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended November.

¶ Allowing for cost of bags and including governmental assistance to wheat growers. Pool season, generally year ended October.

|| Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July.

** For some destinations, where other exporting countries have a geographical freight advantage, the selling price is below this basic price.

35. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54p	1954-55p
	Thousand gallons					
July	15,635	14,678	13,568	17,593	16,923	15,228
August	17,693	16,964	15,106	19,236	18,492	17,871
September	22,507	22,091	17,600	25,953	22,063	22,100
October	31,028	31,046	24,781	32,800	26,875	28,217
November	34,481	33,397	23,701	33,596	28,018	34,071
December	35,605	35,323	20,451	32,118	24,522	
March Qr.	93,750	93,790	62,177	93,126	85,272	
June Qr.	60,841	50,870	63,825	62,963	55,582	
Year ended June	311,580	298,159	241,209	317,385	277,747	
July-November	121,344	118,176	94,756	129,178	112,371	117,487

NOTE.—The annual average production for the five seasons ended 1939 was 331,963,000 gallons.

36. Butter: Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer†	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
	s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.	
1938-39	1	5	1	1954: February	3	8.8
1945-46	1	5.9	1	March	3	8.8
1946-47	1	5.9	1	April	3	8.8
1947-48	2	7.5	1	May	3	8.8
1948-49	2	11.1	2	June	3	8.8
1949-50	2	11.1	2	July	3	8.8
1950-51	3	11.1	2	August	3	8.8
1951-52	3	7.2	3	September	3	8.8
1952-53	3	8.8	3	October	3	8.8
1953-54	3	8.8	3	November	3	8.8
				December	3	8.8

* United Kingdom contract price f.o.b. Australia (1938-39 excepted). † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

37. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia		
	Merchandise					
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
	£A million f.o.b.					
Year: 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5
1950-51	301.7	325.6	23.9	741.3	979.1	237.8
1951-52	426.8	193.9	(—) 232.9	1,049.7	665.2	(—) 384.5
1952-53	206.9	249.5	42.6	510.4	849.3	338.9
1953-54	277.9	249.3	(—) 28.6	678.5	811.8	133.3
1953: July-Nov.	102.7	103.5	0.8	248.6	354.7	106.1
1954: July-Nov.	129.7	77.1	(—) 52.6	326.7	275.4	(—) 51.3
1953: August	19.4	12.3	(—) 7.1	52.2	48.4	(—) 3.8
September	21.3	17.4	(—) 3.9	53.1	59.3	6.2
October	19.9	25.6	5.7	50.5	85.8	35.3
November	20.4	26.5	6.1	50.7	84.8	34.1
1954: August	24.0	10.9	(—) 13.1	66.7	44.1	(—) 22.6
September	27.5	15.6	(—) 11.9	70.3	54.7	(—) 15.6
October	25.9	20.3	(—) 5.6	64.7	73.6	8.9
November	23.7	15.2	(—) 8.5	54.7	50.9	(—) 3.8

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

38. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

* Net sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
	£ million							
July	27.1	34.5	35.3	49.1	67.5	56.9	62.5	80.3
August	31.5	38.6	34.7	52.1	68.2	59.6	64.0	78.0
September	31.3	38.2	39.9	56.2	74.0	60.2	76.8	68.6
October	30.3	36.5	43.6	57.8	68.6	61.7	65.9	85.2
November	32.1	38.3	39.3	44.9	56.3	62.1	77.4	81.1
December	33.6	34.5	50.2	61.2	81.7	60.4	72.0	
March Qr.	86.5	104.7	127.2	164.5	186.1	179.7	207.0	
June Qr.	101.5	116.3	153.5	201.0	196.4	188.6	226.0	
Year ended June	373.9	441.6	523.7	686.8	798.8	729.2	851.6	
July-November	152.3	186.1	192.8	260.1	334.6	300.5	346.6	393.2

* Exclusive of discounts, returns, etc.

39. Retail Trade: Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days In Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number		Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.					
Year : 1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7		
1951	303	301	+ 22.7	+ 26.9	+ 32.8	+ 2.7		
1952	301	303	+ 8.6	+ 9.0	+ 4.0	+ 10.0		
1953	303	302	+ 4.8	+ 20.1	+ 0.3	+ 3.9		
1953: June	24	25	+ 9.3	+ 24.4	+ 1.9	+ 5.6	+ 1.5	+ 2.6
July	27	27	+ 5.9	+ 20.1	+ 2.2	+ 3.0	+ 4.4	+ 1.7
Aug.	26	26	+ 9.1	+ 17.7	+ 0.9	+ 0.1	+ 8.2	+ 1.7
Sept.	26	26	+ 11.1	+ 13.4	+ 2.8	+ 0.3	+ 8.8	+ 2.0
Oct.	26	26	+ 7.1	+ 8.7	+ 3.5	+ 0.8	+ 9.1	+ 2.4
Nov.	25	25	+ 15.1	+ 7.7	+ 6.2	+ 3.1	+ 11.0	+ 4.2
1954: June	25	25	+ 7.6	+ 11.5	+ 5.0	+ 3.3	+ 9.5	+ 5.9
July	27	27	+ 4.6	+ 12.9	+ 3.6	+ 2.9	+ 7.9	+ 3.5
Aug.	26	26	+ 13.3	+ 11.6	+ 9.2	+ 3.1	+ 8.8	+ 5.9
Sept.	26	26	+ 8.3	+ 13.4	+ 8.2	+ 3.7	+ 9.0	+ 7.0
Oct.	26	25	+ 4.1	+ 13.3	+ 3.4	+ 4.6	+ 8.5	+ 6.9
Nov.	25	26	+ 10.0	+ 12.8	+ 13.3	+ 7.2	+ 7.4	+ 8.3

* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 2.

BANKING

Since 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks have conducted business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 overseas banks.

40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1949 : June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1951 : June	1,237.7	63.2	50.5	32.8	93.0	569.6	509.5
1952 : June	1,122.9	48.0	61.2	35.8	62.6	303.3	691.2
1953 : June	1,239.0	3.5	76.6	100.5	115.7	300.8	601.8
1954 : June	1,305.0	3.3	67.7	58.0	133.4	313.7	701.7
1953 : September	1,191.7	3.6	73.3	97.6	122.9	261.1	630.8
October	1,210.0	3.8	63.3	96.1	124.6	250.7	654.7
November	1,250.9	3.8	69.0	100.9	126.0	250.4	664.0
1954 : September	1,260.2	3.2	65.0	22.8	117.3	287.8	757.1
October	1,285.9	3.3	65.0	35.4	116.0	272.3	780.1
November	1,299.3	3.0	67.7	41.1	114.8	269.1	786.1
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK*							
1947 : June	58.6	0.3	5.7	1.1	33.9	...	21.6
1949 : June	68.2	2.5	4.7	...	34.4	...	35.6
1951 : June	119.7	2.3	6.9	36.5	15.1	...	68.5
1952 : June	109.1	3.4	7.1	23.0	22.1	...	71.2
1953 : June	135.7	4.1	11.9	31.3	15.2	32.3	59.7
1954 : June	165.7	0.3	14.1	12.6	35.1	38.7	76.0
1953 : September	149.8	4.5	11.6	32.5	24.1	32.3	63.6
October	156.1	3.6	11.4	29.6	28.1	32.3	66.4
November	160.9	3.9	11.3	27.7	33.2	32.3	68.4
1954 : September	168.8	0.3	10.5	9.6	37.0	38.5	84.1
October	172.7	0.3	10.4	11.9	39.9	37.3	84.2
November	176.2	0.3	9.8	14.3	40.1	36.7	86.4
ALL TRADING BANKS							
1947 : June	722.7	3.0	42.4	16.2	126.2	277.2	344.8
1949 : June	913.1	52.5	48.0	12.2	111.5	382.8	461.9
1951 : June	1,407.4	65.9	62.4	73.8	123.1	572.6	635.5
1952 : June	1,282.2	52.2	72.0	59.3	99.4	305.0	827.9
1953 : June	1,428.0	7.9	94.4	138.7	144.6	334.1	724.8
1954 : June	1,530.5	4.0	87.1	80.1	182.6	353.5	845.2
1953 : September	1,391.1	8.9	89.3	134.1	160.8	294.5	759.5
October	1,415.0	8.9	78.8	129.0	166.8	284.0	787.7
November	1,461.8	9.3	84.9	132.4	173.3	283.8	799.7
1954 : September	1,485.7	3.9	80.6	37.3	168.7	327.3	911.1
October	1,514.9	4.0	80.1	51.9	170.3	310.7	935.8
November	1,531.8	3.8	82.5	60.0	169.3	306.9	944.4

*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 9th December, 1953.

41. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Major Private Trading Banks				C'wealth Trading Bank*		All Trading Banks	
	Deposits			Advances	Deposits	Advances	Deposits	Advances
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
	£ million							
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	33.3	12.6	286.8	153.6
1949 : June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.1	18.0	358.0	199.7
1951 : June	386.0	81.9	467.9	197.9	60.0	36.1	560.8	276.6
1952 : June	345.7	67.9	413.6	276.0	61.8	38.6	507.3	361.1
1953 : June	379.7	68.9	448.6	243.7	74.0	26.5	557.5	314.7
1954 : June	400.2	82.9	483.1	281.6	87.3	32.7	608.6	360.7
1953 : Sept.	364.6	70.4	435.0	256.3	81.5	28.3	549.2	330.2
Oct.	374.0	71.7	445.7	267.7	83.6	28.6	561.6	342.2
Nov.	383.7	78.3	462.0	274.8	85.4	29.1	580.3	349.7
1954 : Sept.	377.1	85.8	462.9	307.3	89.1	35.8	588.5	390.9
Oct.	384.3	86.8	471.1	318.1	90.5	35.8	598.1	402.3
Nov.	389.3	86.6	475.9	318.8	91.1	36.4	603.9	403.9

*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 9th December, 1953.

42. Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales

"Debits" refer to all trading banks operating in N.S.W., excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks and central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank.

Period	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
Weekly Average—£ million.								
July	66.6	79.2	91.2	121.3	159.3	149.0	163.7	181.8
August	60.6	71.0	80.9	109.2	141.9	130.1	145.6	170.6
September	64.4	77.4	88.0	126.3	153.0	143.0	167.7	179.7
October	67.8	81.5	99.0	135.5	163.0	152.7	168.3	190.3
November	72.5	82.0	107.9	147.9	170.5	159.8	173.0	185.8
December	71.0	87.7	112.2	158.0	175.9	173.8	187.1	194.5
January	59.6	74.8	96.8	131.6	146.2	124.6	151.9	
February	72.1	83.5	108.7	161.1	155.3	156.2	164.8	
March	68.6	83.9	118.6	160.0	152.1	162.4	184.7	
April	69.7	82.5	108.8	161.1	153.3	149.7	166.2	
May	75.0	92.8	122.6	167.3	155.9	157.4	183.0	
June	82.0	97.3	121.2	168.2	158.4	160.3	194.9	
Year	69.4	83.1	104.9	145.1	156.6	151.9	171.7	

43. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year: 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,232
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,085
1950-51	2,194	253,472	4,405	232,285	284,466	6,307	837,444
1951-52	2,247	261,966	4,829	246,729	304,532	6,494	891,898
1952-53	2,279	266,006	5,703	257,092	319,149	6,633	947,497
1953-54	2,308	291,475	6,087	276,914	339,797	6,756	1,010,129
1953: October	2,254	24,758		24,198	325,760	6,599	968,571
November	2,260	22,632		22,236	326,156	6,614	970,564
December	2,260	27,136		25,633	327,659	6,617	973,740
1954: October	2,278	26,834		24,445	346,700	6,699	1,035,574
November	2,282	27,112		26,636	347,176	6,712	1,038,486
December	2,283	28,673		28,010	347,839	6,716	1,040,129

* At end of period.

44. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Period	Australia on—							
	London	New Zealand	South Africa	Montreal	New York	France	Belgium	India
	£A. to £stg. 100	£A. to £N.Z. 100	£A. to £S.A. 100	Canadian \$ to £A. 1	U.S. \$ to £A. 1	Francs to £A. 1	Francs to £A. 1	Rupees to £A. 1
1938-39	125.25	100.33	124.70	3.79	3.78	141.75	111.58	10.69
1946—June	125.25	100.25	124.88	3.54	3.22	383.24	141.02	10.64
1949—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	3.22	3.22	875.85	141.02	10.64
1950—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.46	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1951—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.39	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1952—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.22	776.35	111.66	10.64
1953—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.25	784.71	111.76	10.64
1954—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.21	2.25	784.84	112.15	10.64
1954—September	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.17	2.24	780.68	111.70	10.64
October	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.17	2.23	782.71	111.71	10.64
November	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.16	2.23	783.40	111.58	10.64
December	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.15	2.23	782.25	111.37	10.64

45. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis- count)	
					Fixed Deposits			Over- draft (Max.)	To £500		£500 to £1,000 §
	Urban	Rural	Short- dated : 2 years	Long- dated : 12 years	3 months	24 months					
						To £10,000	Over £10,000				
Per cent. per annum											
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.75	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950-51	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.21	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1951-52	4.4	4.3	2.05	3.95	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1952-53	4.7	4.6	3.03	4.54	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1953-54	4.9	4.7	3.10	4.44	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1954 : January	4.9	4.7	3.03	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
February	4.9	4.7	3.08	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
March	4.9	4.7	3.17	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
April	5.0	4.8	3.24	4.46	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
May	5.0	4.8	3.34	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
June	5.0	4.8	3.42	4.44	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
July	5.1	4.8	3.54	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
August	5.1	4.7	3.47	4.49	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
September	5.1	4.7	3.56	4.48	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
October	5.2	4.7	3.43	4.49	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
November	5.2	4.8	3.39	4.50	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
December	5.3	4.8	3.48	4.52	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1955 : January	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	3.35	4.49	1.25	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.50	1.25	1.00

* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Compiled by Commonwealth Bank; average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Rate current at end of period. ¶ 1½ per cent. to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942. § Upper limit raised from £1,000 to £1,500 in June, 1954.

46. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Dis- tributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1949 : June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
1950 : June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
1951 : June	529.8	397.6	167.3	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0
1952 : June	358.2	257.1	154.4	189.0	580.5	256.7	250.7
1953 : Sept.	370.8	278.6	155.3	200.8	585.8	264.4	270.1
Oct.	363.5	283.4	152.2	195.5	590.7	261.7	266.3
Nov.	361.2	283.6	151.8	195.5	588.0	261.0	265.1
Dec.	366.6	286.1	149.2	197.8	597.1	264.1	269.2
1954 : Jan.	377.2	294.3	153.6	197.3	620.5	271.6	279.7
Feb.	377.5	295.8	157.3	197.4	636.7	273.3	279.8
Mar.	376.0	292.0	164.3	201.4	636.0	273.0	278.7
Apr.	370.4	294.3	163.4	202.4	574.7	268.6	275.4
May	373.7	302.7	158.7	210.0	586.5	271.4	279.5
June	381.3	310.1	159.0	217.7	574.7	274.5	282.2
July	394.4	322.4	160.7	224.5	593.1	282.2	292.0
Aug.	405.5	336.5	165.1	239.4	606.1	292.4	301.0
Sept.	402.9	343.5	163.9	231.8	587.1	291.5	297.9
Oct.	397.3	344.2	159.6	216.8	588.9	288.5	293.7
Nov.	393.1	342.9	158.7	210.2	578.9	285.6	291.9
Dec.	391.3	346.1	158.4	215.8	568.5	285.7	294.9
1955 : Jan.	401.1	348.1	164.5	224.0	579.6	292.4	302.4

* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

47. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages †
	Number		£ thousand			
Year :						
1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1951-52	95,857	179,581	77,211	514	4,371	3,578
1952-53	12,905	143,909	68,590	462	3,428	2,513
1953-54	92,386	188,032	76,024	476	3,460	2,698
1953: July-Dec.	47,827	90,644	39,524	342	1,416	1,360
1954: July-Dec.	52,670	114,371	46,530	413	1,536	1,187
1953: August	7,871	14,395	7,199	22	229	273
September	8,705	15,614	7,412	48	193	210
October	8,019	14,930	5,947	171	308	260
November	7,640	15,004	5,783	55	133	147
December	7,241	15,070	5,795	14	175	160
1954: August	9,286	20,148	6,578	284	325	196
September	9,507	20,743	7,820	32	208	156
October	8,343	18,393	8,110	30	238	179
November	8,796	19,561	9,798	28	144	136
December	7,996	17,593	7,701	17	265	215

* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated ; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

48. Life Assurance, New South Wales

(a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year†:					
1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949	94,665	49,357	113,568	11,332	60,689
1950	98,015	58,666	106,754	11,136	60,802
1951	101,683	78,187	97,361	11,526	89,713
1952	110,992	81,270	99,573	13,342	94,612
1953	111,437	86,501	98,547	13,590	100,091
1953: Jan.-Oct.	90,096	70,171	84,636	11,614	81,785
1954: Jan.-Oct.	88,159	76,975	78,037	11,140	88,115
1953: August	9,526	7,419	8,832	1,233	8,652
September	11,735	8,545	11,243	1,587	10,132
October	8,844	6,900	7,080	993	7,893
1954: August	9,688	9,054	8,029	1,191	10,245
September	10,625	9,759	13,517	2,004	11,763
October	8,577	7,874	6,566	968	8,842

* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified).

(b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year :				
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1951	20,433	1,228	4,935	26,596
1952	16,506	1,771	3,470	21,747
1953	14,775	1,436	2,426	18,637
1953: Jan.-Oct.	12,838	1,212	2,133	16,183
1954: Jan.-Oct.	11,250	1,241	1,544	14,035
1953: August	1,088	123	234	1,445
September	1,252	113	194	1,559
October	1,211	104	386	1,701
1954: August	1,390	143	105	1,638
September	1,560	144	204	1,908
October	1,508	122	266	1,896

* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

49. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-December		Item	July-December	
	1953	1954		1953	1954
£ thousand			£ thousand		
Taxes—			Social Services*—		
Customs	45,868	49,575	Invalid, Age Pensions	39,663	43,414
Excise	62,377	71,409	Child Endowment	25,906	26,913
Sales	47,237	51,311	Hospital Benefits	4,076	4,351
Income Tax and Social Services Contribution §	164,233	148,215	Pharmaceutical Benefits	3,576	4,227
			Other	12,029	12,666
Payroll	20,630	20,701	Total, Social Services* ...	85,250	91,571
Estate	5,116	5,078	To States—		
Entertainments	1,973	..	Tax Reimbursements	56,914	59,971
Other	789	764	Other	23,788	22,372
Total Taxes	348,223	347,053	Capital Works	44,096	42,811
Post Office	33,901	36,482	Post Office†	31,487	32,519
Broadcasting	2,043	2,056	Broadcasting†	2,238	2,255
Railways	1,574	1,605	Railways†	1,797	1,450
Territories	1,061	1,158	Territories†	4,808	5,636
Other	17,560	17,173	Defence Services	77,045	71,462
			War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45 ...	31,606	33,530
Total Revenue†	404,362	405,527	Subsidies	9,673	10,078
			Debt Charges, N.E.I.	35,876	36,103
			Other	29,722	33,288
			Total Expenditure†	434,300	443,046

* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Excluding debt charges.

† Excludes Self-balancing items amounting to £3,060,000 in the six months ended December 1953 and £1,006,000 in 1954.

§ Refunds on account of Wool Deduction have been subtracted from "Income Tax, etc."

Expenditure from Loan Fund for War and Repatriation in the six months ended December (£1,797,000 in 1953 and £1,544,000 in 1954) is included above. Other loan expenditure in this period consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £13,750,000 in 1953 and £11,300,000 in 1954.

Commonwealth Treasury Bills on issue in Australia at the end of December amounted to £245,000,000 in 1953 and £215,000,000 in 1954.

50. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-December		Item	July-December	
	1953	1954		1953	1954
£ thousand			£ thousand		
Governmental—			Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ...	11,610	13,240
From Commonwealth—			Less—Recoups from other Activities	2,136	2,512
Towards Interest	1,459	1,459	Net Debt Charges	9,474	10,728
Reimbursement of Taxes	22,512	23,628	Other than Debt Charges—		
Stamp and Probate Duty	6,749	7,774	Governmental	38,492	42,123
Other Taxes	2,504	2,483	Business Undertakings—		
Land	1,122	1,138	Railways	33,041	34,466
Services	1,813	2,037	Trams and Buses	6,705	6,384
Other	5,685	5,581	Sydney Harbour	745	797
Total Governmental	41,844	44,100	Total Expenditure	88,457	94,498
Business Undertakings—					
Railways	37,233	39,278			
Trams and Buses	5,760	5,674			
Sydney Harbour	1,045	1,448			
Total Revenue	85,882	90,500			

Loan Expenditure on works and services in the six months ended December was gross £16,415,000 and net (i.e., gross, less repayments to loan account £15,586,000 in 1953 compared with gross £21,157,000 and net £20,517,000 in 1954.

51. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups ‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
§ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
§ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1949-50	473	400	250	421	196	399	383
1950-51	999	432	271	689	209	690	654
1951-52	564	436	291	811	263	495	473
1952-53	616	445	313	504	314	505	483
1953-54	615	411p	325	450	338	496p	474p
1953: November	634	414	325	458	340	508	485
December	611	413	325	442	340	495	473
1954: January	603	411	325	427	340	489	468
February	581	402	325	423	340	476	455
March	581	399	325	440	340	476	456
April	596¶	381	325	467	340	482	461
May	618	372	325	474	340	492	470
June	622	369p	325	484	340	494	472
July	622¶	359p	313	475	340	490p	468p
August	566	358p	313	475	340	461p	442p
September	566	355p	313	498	340	462p	442p
October	536	356p	313	524	340	450p	431p
November	513p	358p	313	518	340	439p	421p

* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

52. Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials, and one or two minor commodities, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	103	82	97	99	103	99	102	101
1945-46	130	152	177	149	135	178	126	141
1949-50	214	434	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51	256	641	268	264	232	256	242	246
1951-52	343	577	370	321	281	288	305	300
1952-53	392	607	404	350	294	292	331	320
1953-54	388	566	363	332	313	271	343	321
1953: Sept.	389	576	364	335	331	276	357	333
Oct.	389	576	364	334	325	273	353	329
Nov.	388	574	365	333	311	270	342	321
Dec.	388	561	365	332	304	269	337	317
1954: Jan.	384	564	365	331	305	271	336	317
Feb.	384	546	365	328	306	269	336	316
Mar.	389	545	365	330	304	269	335	316
Apr.	390	553	359	328	306	266	337	316
May	390	563	359	329	306	266	338	316
June	384	569	358	327	308	267	337	316
July	384	569	358	327	307p	266p	337p	316p
Aug.	384	529	359	325	308p	267p	336p	316p
Sept.	385	527	365	328	307p	271p	335p	317p
Oct.	385	505	365	325	303p	269p	332p	313p
Nov.	393	491p	365	327p	305p	277p	331p	315p

* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

53. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom	Canada	United States	France
	Common-wealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Dominion Statistician *	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	101	102	100	96	95	95	112
1947-48	159	173	174	203	175	191	451
1948-49	181	180	186	218	195	194	2032
1949-50	205	184	195	237	195	186	2196
1950-51	246	210	216	288	224	211	123†
1951-52	300	243	252	321	229	213	145
1952-53	320	252	269	320	216	209	141
1953-54	321	248	270	320	214	209	137
1954 : July	325	248	268	322	216	210	137
Aug.	335	248	272	319	217	209	137
Sept.	333	248	272	318	216	210	137
Oct.	329	253	273	318	215	208	136
Nov.	321	252	271	320	213	208	137
Dec.	317	252	270	318	214	208	138
1954 : Jan.	317	250	271	318	215	210	138
Feb.	316	245	269	319	214	209	138
Mar.	316	244	269	321	213	209	136
Apr.	316	246	269	322	213	210	137
May	316	246	269	323	213	210	139
June	316	247	271	325	213	208	135
July	316p	248	271	325	212	209	134
Aug.	316p	247	272	322	211	209	136
Sept.	317p	247	272	321p	210	208	135
Oct.	313p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	321p	209	208	134

* New Series.

† New Series. Base : 1949=100.

54. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "C" Series Index†	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	841	939	933	...
1945 : June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22
1947 : June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28
1949 : June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	53
1951 : June	1943	1051	2819	1689	1875	101
1952 : June	2727	1089	3098	1997	2284	145
1952 : December	2657	1188	3214	2024	2312	148
1953 : March	2664	1245	3246	2039	2338	151
June	2669	1274	3305	2044	2360	153
September	2758	1287	3276	2039	2388	156
December	2751	1299	3263	2040	2385	156
1954 : March	2738	1318	3280	2051	2391	156
June	2703	1320	3257	2045	2373	154
September	2701	1326	3250	2047	2372	154
December	2741	1330	3266	2048	2391	156

(b) Districts of New South Wales (Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns*
1939 : September	933	897	943	914	881	930
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1949 : June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
1951 : June	1875	1853	1939	1858	1825	1874
1952 : June	2284	2231	2360	2277	2228	2281
1952 : December	2312	2248	2379	2248	2289	2308
1953 : March	2338	2268	2385	2260	2317	2332
June	2360	2283	2397	2292	2354	2354
September	2388	2306	2426	2328	2382	2382
December	2385	2323	2434	2328	2401	2381
1954 : March	2391	2327	2432	2318	2393	2386
June	2373	2319	2425	2329	2383	2369
September	2372	2311	2410	2318	2366	2368
December	2391	2340	2415	2343	2385	2387

*Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

† Comprising foregoing groups.

55. Basic Wage : Sydney, Adult Males

Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.
1939: June	s. 82	1943: Feb.	s. 98	1946: Aug.	s. 100	1950: Feb.	s. 135
Sept.	81	May	98	Nov.	101	May	138
Dec.	82	Aug.	100	Dec.*	108	Aug.	142
1940: Feb.	82	Nov.	99	1947: Feb.	108	Nov.	146
May	83	Feb.	99	May	110	Dec.*	165
Aug.	85	May	99	Aug.	110	1951: Feb.	173
Nov.	85	Aug.	99	Nov.	112	May	180
1941: Feb.	88	Nov.	99	1948: Feb.	114	Aug.	193
May	88	Feb.	99	May	116	Nov.	207
Aug.	89	May	98	Aug.	120	1952: Feb.	216
Nov.	89	Aug.	98	Nov.	122	May	223
1942: Feb.	91	Nov.	99	1949: Feb.	124	Aug.	235
May	93	Feb.	99	May	127	Nov.	237
Aug.	95	May	99	Aug.	130	1953: Feb.	238
Nov.	97			Nov.	132	May	241
						Aug.†	243

Female Wages.—The minimum wage per week payable (Sydney) to adult females was:—

1950: Dec. 123s. 6d.	1951: Feb. 129s. 6d.	1952: Feb. 162s.	1953: Feb. 178s. 6d.
	May 135s.	May 167s.	May 180s. 6d.
	Aug. 144s. 6d.	Aug. 176s.	†Aug. 182s.
	Nov. 155s.	Nov. 177s. 6d.	

* As a result of judgments of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court, special increases were awarded: in December, 1946, 7s. and in December, 1950, 19s.

† Current January, 1955. In September, 1953, the Commonwealth Arbitration Court abolished quarterly adjustments.

56. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939: Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945: Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1947: June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3102	41.1	41.8
1948: June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3402	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949: June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950: June	179.3	114.3	3499	4206	40.0	40.0
Dec.	209.5	139.9	4088	5150	40.0	40.0
1951: June	228.6	151.0	4461	5558	40.0	40.0
Dec.	255.0	171.1	4975	6296	40.0	40.0
1952: June	270.4	183.1	5277	6738	40.0	40.0
Dec.	284.7	193.9	5555	7138	40.0	40.0
1953: June	289.8	196.7	5655	7240	40.0	40.0
Sept.	296.1	198.4	5778	7302	40.0	40.0
Dec.	296.6	198.4	5788	7302	40.0	40.0
1954: Mar.	296.7	198.4	5788	7302	40.0	40.0
June	296.7	198.5	5790	7305	40.0	40.0
Sept.	296.7	198.6	5790	7311	40.0	40.0

* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.

† Base: Weighted average for

Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

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